

# St. Joseph's Church Wilton

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#### THE MESSAGE OF TODAY'S GOSPEL.

Might there be a warning in the parable today for our church as we approach a very important phase in the Synod being conducted by Pope Francis. In the parable the owner does not give up on the vineyard, even if he gives up on the tenants who had charge of it. He finds other tenants who will deliver the fruits in the vineyard in due season.

At a personal level, the parable might be saying to us: God continues to invest in his vineyard, in all of us, even when our lives do not bear the fruit that God desires.

#### PARISH CHARITY FOR SEPTEMBER.

Our charity for October is responding to an appeal to support some Irish MMM sisters who are working in Malawi, in Africa, who have recently opened a maternity centre in that country. They are hoping that we might assist them with funding for an incubator. The incubator will help to further improve the service they can provide to the local people. We began last week and we raised €140. It is a beginning, all our charities have been generously supported and we trust that this will be no different.

### October is Safeguarding month in the Diocese.

The parish and Diocesan Safeguarding Teams work hard all year to assure our Churches are a safe space for children. We welcome all children and young people to participate fully in the life of the parish, whether it be attendance at Mass and the Sacraments, as Altar Servers, Choir, Children's Liturgy, Pray and Play, Youth Ministry etc.

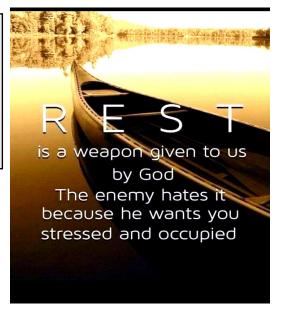
Feel free to contact the parish office for details. We look forward to seeing you.

### Faith gathering for young people 18-35

An opportunity for people between the ages of 18 to 35 are invited to join in a day of renewal at the Student Centre UCC on the 15<sup>th</sup> Oct from 9.30am to 4.15pm. It is a new venture by the diocese and an opportunity for young people to meet and get to know each other. There is a letter of invitation from the Bishop on the notice board. Anyone wishing to attend should register at <a href="https://www.corkandross.org">www.corkandross.org</a>.

### An invitation to remember ....

A service of remembrance will be held
By Cork University Hospital
On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 6pm
In the Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork
All who have experienced pregnancy or infant loss
are welcome to attend.



We are trying to encourage greater participation by <u>ALL</u> who attend Mass at weekends.

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In this regard we are asking people to collect a bulletin as they enter the church and use it to join in communal parts of the Mass contained in the bulletin.

Also, if you come early take time to read the readings of the Mass in the bulletin and see if you can spot a common theme with the first reading and the Gospel – there is one!

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## **Early Christmas Present!!**

In considering what to buy for yourself, or a friend, for Christmas we are giving plenty advance warning of a popular option.

The very popular book Sacred Space "the Prayer Book 2024" is now on sale in the Mass Office. It is being sold at a discounted rate of €11.

It is being sponsored from the proceeds of our Parish Pastoral collections.

Glenstal Abbey School, a boys secondary boarding school in Limerick, is hosting an open information evening at 6.30pm Thursday October 12th in the Rochestown Park Hotel.

For further details email: <a href="mailto:admissions@glenstal.com">admissions@glenstal.com</a> or phone: 061-621011.

#### THINK ABOUT IT:

Real faith is not built on evidence.